(d) if so, what is the latest position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) In Civil writ petition No. 310 of 1996 in the matter of Prakash Singh and others *Vs* Union of India and others the Supreme Court of India had on 22nd September, 2006 issued directions to the States/Union Territories *inter-alia* with regard to the setting up of State Security Commissions, selection methodology and minimum tenure of DGP and other key police functionaries, separation of investigation wing from law and order wing initially in towns/urban areas having population of ten lakhs or more, and setting up of Police Complaints Authorities at the State and District levels and directed to file the affidavits of compliance by 3rd January 2007. These directions were communicated to the State Governments and Union Territories for necessary action. The case came up for hearing on 11th January, 2007 (not on 12th January, 2007). The Hon'ble Court upon consideration of the Affidavits *inter-alia* by States/ Union Territories directed that the directions relating to selection methodology and minimum tenure of Director General of Police and other key police functionaries and setting up of Police establishment Board be complied with within four weeks and the remaining directions by 31st March, 2007 positively and requisite affidavits of compliance be filed by 10th April, 2007. Union Government filed an application on February 12, 2007 seeking certain directions by way of clarifications/ modifications of the orders dated 22.9.2006 and 11.1.2007 on behalf of the Union Territories as they are under the control of Ministry of Home Affairs. The application is yet to be heard by the Supreme Court.

Serials on women life on Doordarshan

2396. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of serials telecast on Doordarshan National Channel daily dealing with women life;

(b) whether such serials have been effectively successful to introduce the problems, women face in their daily life;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons for granting such long serials on Doordarshan?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) Details of serials telecast on Doordarshan National Channel daily dealing with women life are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Women oriented programmes/serials telecast on Doordarshan have been very successful in dealing with women welfare. These are women oriented and are not only entertaining but also aim to solve women's day to day problems, and improve legal awareness of their right *vis-a-vis* duties.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Details regarding serials on women life on Doordarshan

Sl. No.	Name of Programme/Serial	Time and day of telecast
1.	Soutela	12.00 (Noon): Wednesday
2.	Stree-Teri Kahani	12.30 PM "
3.	Paap Punya Ka Lekha Jokha	1.00 PM "
4.	Apne mere Apne	1.30 PM "
5.	Aur Ek Kahani	2.00 PM "
6.	Shanti	3.30 PM "
7.	Open Fame	9.00 AM Saturdays
8.	Emperor of the Sea	9.00 AM Sundays
9.	Jewel in The Palace (Ghar Ka Chirag)	8.30 AM Sundays
10.	Katha Sarita	9.30 PM Mondays
11.	Kiran	2.00 PM Wednesdays
12.	Kalyani	Regional telecast on DD-1

Demand for Punjabi programmes on National channels

2397. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a growing demand for relay and transmission of Punjabi programmes;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken or propose to take to telecast Punjabi serials on national channels instead of regional channels; and

(c) how many Punjabi Programmes/serials have been shown on DD-1 during the last one year with names of such serials/programmes?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Prasar Bharati have informed that *w.e.f.* 5.8.2000 Regional Language Satellite channel DD-Punjabi is available all over India beaming Punjabi serials and programmes.

(c) Nil. However, Punjabi language programmes are being telecast on DD-1 in regional platform from 3.00 P.M. to 8.00 P.M. for Punjab State which are also available on satellite channel in the entire country. Besides this, the round the clock transmission on DD-Punjabi is in Punjabi.